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Dear Mr. Howell:

On behalf of Mr. Dulles, I would like to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 19 July.

As you probably suspect, details of photographic processes utilized in connection with the U-2 aircraft are classified. However, the film involved contained standard photographic emulsions. There is nothing in the composition of the film itself which contributed materially to the high resolution of the photography which you saw.

I hope that we have been of some help to you in this matter.

Sincerely,

Signed


Assistant to the Director

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July 19, 1960

Mr. Allen Dulles
Director,
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

If it is at all possible, I would be interested in learning the type, source and availability of the film used to take photographs from the U-2 reconnaissance plane.

Judging from the resolution manifested by the photograph of San Diego's North Island Naval Station in Time Magazine, June 6, 1960, this film, or a similar one, may prove useful for electron photo-micrographic research.

Sincerely yours,



A. Ervin Howell, Jr.

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